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(54) Title: COMPOUNDS WHICH BIND TO THE ACTIVE SITE OF PROTEIN KINASE ENZYMES

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a compound and a group of compounds which are inhibitors of Rho kinase (ROK, ROCK). In addition, the invention relates to methods of treatment and use of the compounds in the manufacture of a medicament for application to a number of therapeutic indications including cardiovascular disease (coronary vasospasm, hypertensive disease, arteriosclerosis), stroke, cancer, erectile dysfunction, asthma, osteoporosis, glaucoma and AIDS. The compounds can be used in screening programmes against protein kinases. The invention also provides methods for making compounds and libraries that include these compounds.